(c) whether Government have investigated the matter, if so, what is the findings thereof and if not, whether Government propose to investigate the whole matter again?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI) : (a) According to the information received from the Government of Uttaranchal, following assistance has been extended by the State Government in areas affected by earthquake of 29th October, 1991 in Uttarkashi:—

(i) Rs. 7413.82 lakhs distributed as grant to the affected families as gratuitous relief including *ex-gratia* payments to the families of deceased persons and for repair/reconstruction of damaged houses. The assistance for houses included tin-sheets, cement and other building material.

(ii) Rs. 2059.70 lakhs distributed under Indira Awas Yojna and HUDCO housing loans to 14800 families.

(ni) Rs. 354.82 lakhs spent on repair and reconstruction of damaged departmental public properties.

(b) The State Government and NGOs had provided assistance to the affected families after the earthquake. No complaints had been received by the State Government in this regard.

(c) Does not arise.

Tainted officials posted in Special Cell of Delhi Police

†3444. SHRI AMAR SINGH : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of tainted officials have been posted in the Special Cell of Delhi Police;

(b) if so, what is the number of officials in Special Cell against whom departmental enquiries are still going on;

(c) the number of officials of the Special Cell who have been arrested on corruption charges during the last two years; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(d) the steps Government propose to take to ensure the induction of honest officers in the Special Cell?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRIHARIN PATHAK): (a) to (c) Out of 434 Police Officials presently posted in Special Cell of Delhi Police, there are seven officials against whom departmental proceedings are pending. In addition, one official was arrested during the last two years in connection with allegations of corruption.

(d) It is ensured that the Police officials suspected to be of doubtful integrity are not posted in the Special Cell.

Application pending for citizenship

3445. SHRI SWARAJ KAUSHAL : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether veteran artist Adnan Sami has applied for Indian citizenship;

(b) when was the application made and the stage at which it is pending;

(c) whether Adnan Sami qualifies for Indian citizenship; and

(d) the reason for delay in decision?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK): (a) No such application has been received by the Central Government.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

ISI's contact in Punjab

3446. SHRI SUKHDEV SINGH LIBRA:

DR. ABRAR AHMED:.

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Pakistan's Inter Services Intelligence (ISI) is trying to set up its contact point in Punjab and some North Eastern States;

(b) If so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken to meet the situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK): (a) and (b) Available inputs indicate that Pakistan's ISI is trying to revive militancy in Punjab and is aiding terrorist elements of some North Eastern States.